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SUBJ: GVN PROTESTS AND WARNINGS ON CURRENT COMMUNIST OFFENSIVES

1. DURING THE PAST TWO WEEKS THE RVN DELEGATION TO THE TPJMC HAS REPEATEDLY PROTESTED TO THE ICCS THE WIDESPREAD AND CONTINUING COMMUNIST VIOLATIONS OF THE CEASEFIRE, AND PARTICULARLY THE MAJOR ATTACKS IN QUANG NAM PROVINCE. IN EACH INSTANCE, THE GVN HAS REQUESTED THAT ICCS CENTRAL DIRECT ITS RESPECTIVE REGIONAL TEAMS TO UNDERTAKE INVESTIGATIONS.

2. IN ITS NOTE OF AUGUST 1, THE GVN RECAPITULATED FOR THE NEW AUGUST CHAIRMAN (IRAN VICE INDONESIA) THE ABFS AGAINST DANANG, THE ABFS AND GROUND ATTACKS AGAINST DUC DUC AND THUONG DUC, THE DESTRUCTION OF THE NAM O BRIDGE, AND MINING OF CIVILIAN BUSES WHICH CAUSED OVER 100 CIVILIAN CASUALTIES.

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3. THE NOTE GOES ON TO "ALERT" THE ICCS THAT BOTH DUC DUC AND THUONG

DUC DISTRICTS "COULD BE SEIZED IF THE DRVN AND PRG/RSVN CONTINUE TO SEND THEIR REGULAR FORCES" INTO THESE REGIONS AND SAYS THAT IF THE DISTRICTS ARE SEIZED "THE RVN MILITARY DELEGATION SHALL CONSIDER THIS ACT A REAL ACT OF TEARING UP THE PARIS AGREEMENT OF THE PRG/RSVN, WITH THE CONNIVANCE AND SUPPORT FROM THE DRVN." THE PRESENT DEADLOCK IN THE TPJMC AND THE "IMMOBILITY OF THE ICCS PRESENT FAVORABLE CONDITIONS FOR THE DRVN AND PRG/RSVN TO USE A MILITARY SOLUTION TO ANNEX SVN."

4. THE NOTE REQUESTED THE ICCS TO INVESTIGATE AND "TO USE ITS AUTHORITY TO FORCE" THE OTHER SIDE TO END THE ATTACKS AND SHELLINGS, WITHDRAW ITS FORCES, AND RESUME ITS ATTENDANCE AT THE TPJMC.

5. THE FOLLOWING DAY, THE RVN DELEGATION SENT A SIMILAR SUMMARY OF VIOLATIONS TO THE "PRG DELEGATION." IT WENT ON TO "OFFICIALLY INFORM YOU THAT: IF ANY DISTRICT SEAT IN QUANG NAM, QUANG TIN, QUANG NGAI, BINH DINH OR KONTUM PROVINCES HAPPENS TO BE SEIZED BY FORCE BY YOUR SIDE, THE RVN WILL CONSIDER IT REALLY AN ACT OF TEARING UP THE PARIS AGREEMENT BY YOUR SIDE, WITH THE CONNIVANCE AND SUPPORT FROM THE DRVN, AND ASSERTS THAT YOUR SIDE NOT ONLY DOES NOT WANT RECONCILIATION AND CONCORD AS YOU HAVE OFTEN CLAIMED AND DEMANDED BUT ALSO DOES NOT WANT TO END THE WAR HERE IN SOUTH VIETNAM."

6. THE ABOVE PARAGRAPH WAS UNDERLINED IN THE PUBLISHED TPJMC TRANSLATION. THE NOTE CONCLUDED WITH THE STATEMENT OF THE DEMANDS TO CEASE AND DESIST AND RETURN TO THE TPJMC.

7. FOR THE RECORD IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT A GENERALLY SENSATIONALIST UPI-DERIVED ARTICLE IN THE AUGUST 5 STARS AND STRIPES COMPLETELY DISTORTS THE GVN STATEMENT BY STATING THAT "THE ATTACKS FOLLOWED A WARNING BY SOUTH VIETNAM THAT IF DUC DUC OR ANY OTHER POPULATION CENTER IN THE AREA FALLS TO COMMUNIST MILITARY FORCE, SAIGON WILL SCRAP THE PARIS PEACE AGREEMENT."
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